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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 9602

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TAGS: PFOR, KN, KS, TH, EAGR

SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN POTENTIAL TO EXPORT FERTILIZER  
SOUTH KOREAN PREMIER'S ASEAN TOUR

REF: A. BANGKOK 8287; B. STATE 120544

1. WE PASSED THE INFORMATION IN REFERENCE B TO KOREAN  
COUNSELOR KIM JUNE 12. HE EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION  
FOR THE DATA.

2. KIM ACKNOWLEDGED THAT NORTH KOREA, DESPITE DOMESTIC  
INSUFFICIENCY, MIGHT EXPORT FERTILIZER FOR POLITICAL  
REASONS. HE MENTIONED THAT SOUTH KOREA HAD ITS OWN  
PROBLEMS IN THIS REGARD. DURING 1973 IT EXPORTED FER-  
TILIZER AT \$200 A TON ONLY TO DISCOVER A DOMESTIC SHORTAGE  
THAT NECESSITATED THE IMPORTATION OF FERTILIZER AT \$400  
A TON. HE CLAIMED THAT SOUTH KOREA WOULD BECOME DOMESTICALLY  
SELF-SUFFICIENT IN FERTILIZER DURING FY 1975, AND WOULD  
BE IN A POSITION TO EXPORT TO COUNTRIES LIKE THAILAND  
BY FY 1976.

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3. IN REGARD TO THE SOUTH KOREAN PRIME MINISTER'S PLANNED

VISIT TO ASEAN COUNTRIES, KIM SAID THAT THAILAND,  
DESPITE ITS RECENT CHANGE OF CABINET, HAD AGREED TO A  
JUNE ARRIVAL DATE. MALAYSIA HAD BEEN THE STICKING  
POINT. RAZAK'S TRIP TO PEKING HAD CAUSED THE POSTPONE-  
MENT OF THE TOUR TO LATE AUGUST.  
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